

In the Drawings:

Annexed hereto is a Replacement sheet for FIG. 1.

REMARKS

Claims 1-17 are pending in the application. Applicants gratefully acknowledge Examiner's indication that claims 1-8 are allowed. Reconsideration of the objections and rejections is respectfully requested in view of the above amendments and following remarks.

Drawing Objections

The drawings were objected to for the reasons set forth in the Office Action. FIG. 1 has been amended to include reference numerals 42 and 52 consistent with the specification. A Replacement Sheet for FIG. 1 is annexed hereto. Accordingly, withdrawal of the objections is requested.

Claim Rejections - 35 U.S.C. §112

Claims 9-17 stand rejected under 35 U.S.C. §112, second paragraph, for lack of antecedent basis. Claim 9 has been amended to provide antecedent basis for the terms "sample" and "probe". Accordingly, withdrawal of the rejection is requested.

Respectfully submitted,



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